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FM AMEMBASSY MANAGUA

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E. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, NU

SUBJECT: NICARAGUA CASP

REF: STATE 041358

1. EMBASSY HAD CONSIDERED THAT WHERE NO PROBLEM WAS
ENVISAGED, IT WAS UNNECESSARY TO LIST THE "OTHER INTERESTS."

2. INFORMATION REQUESTED BY REFTEL FOLLOWS:

(A) U.S. NATIONAL DEFENSE - LOW

THIS SUBJECT WAS PARTIALLY COVERED UNDER POLITICAL DEVELOPMENT.
WHILE NO NEED IS PRESENTLY FORESEEN FOR USE OF HC FACILITIES,
MATERIAL, TERRITORY OR FORCES, THESE WOULD BE FORTHCOMING IF
REQUIRED. EMBASSY SEES NO POSSIBILITY THAT NICARAGUA MIGHT
ENTER INTO ALIGNMENTS HOSTILE TO THE U.S.

(B) FAIR TREATMENT AND SAFETY OF U.S. CITIZENS
AND PROPERTY - LOW

WHILE INDIVIDUAL ACTS OF VIOLENCE MAY OCCUR, THEY ARE NOT
DIRECTED AT U.S. CITIZENS AS SUCH AND THE GON WILL MAKE EVERY
EFFORT TO APPREHEND THE PERPETRATOR. THE EMBASSY ANTICIPATES
NO ACTS OR POLICIES DISCRIMINATING AGAINST U.S. CITIZENS OR
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PROPERTY.

(C) CONTROL OF THE MOVEMENT OF PEOPLE AND GOODS TO
AND FROM THE U.S. - LOW

ALTHOUGH A POTENTIAL ALWAYS EXISTS FOR THE GROWTH OF A NARCOTICS
TRAFFIC, THE WELL KNOWN AND VERY SEVERE ATTITUDES ON THIS
SUBJECT AT THE TOP LEVELS OF THE GON MAKE IT UNLIKELY THAT ANY
SIGNIFICANT PROBLEM WILL ARISE. WITH REFERENCE TO ILLEGAL
IMMIGRATION, THERE ARE THOUSANDS OF APPLICANTS FOR TOURIST VISAS
EACH YEAR THOSE OBVIOUS DESIRE IS TO GO THE U.S. TO WORK,
BUT THESE ARE EFFECTIVELY CONTROLLED BY THE CONSULAR SECTION.

(D) FAVORABLE DISPOSITION OF OTHER PEOPLE TOWARD
THE U.S. - LOW

ALMOST ALL ELEMENTS OF THE POPULATION ARE VERY FRIENDLY AND
WELL-DISPOSED TOWARDS THE U.S. AND WE FORESEE NO CHANGE IN
THIS TRADITIONAL ATTITUDE.

(E) OPEN CHANNELS OF COMMUNICATION BETWEEN THE U.S.
AND OTHER COUNTRIES - LOW

LEADERS OF GOVERNMENT AND ALL SIGNIFICANT SECTORS OF THE
SOCIETY ARE NOT ONLY RECEPTIVE TO, BUT CONSTANTLY SEEK OUT U.S.
REPRESENTATIVES.

(F) HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE - HIGH

ALTHOUGH THE LEVEL OF INTEREST IS "HIGH", HUMANITARIAN ASSIS-
TANCE IS PRESENTLY INTERTWINED WITH ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOP-
MENT AND HAS BEEN TREATED UNDER THAT HEADING.

(G) WORLD ORDER - LOW

THIS IS CONSIDERED OF LOW INTEREST BECAUSE THE GON CAN BE COUNTED
UPON TO SUPPORT THE U.S. ON INTERNATIONAL PROBLEMS.

(H) ADVANCEMENT OF OTHER U.S. INTERESTS - LOW

EMBASSY EXPERIENCES NO DIFFICULTY IN OBTAINING NICARAGUAN
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COOPERATION WITH REGARD TO OTHER U.S. INTERESTS. RECENT
EXAMPLES OF THIS TYPE COOPERATION ARE GON SUPPORT FOR
U.S. POSITION WITH REFERENCE TO CONTROL OF AFTOSA IN
COLOMBIA AND ESTABLISHMENT OF EARTHQUAKE HAZARDS REDUCTION
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